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1. Erfurt Sites

- a. Between Erfurt and Arnstadt, 4 km south of Erfurt, and about 80 m. west of the junction of the Erfurt-Arnstadt main road and the road to Stadtilm stands a mast about 30 m. high with two parabolic reflectors facing SW and NE.

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- b. On a dwelling house in Erfurt, Schillerstrasse No. 66, a peculiarly shaped aerial

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2. Leipzig Sites

- a. In Mockau, east of Stralsunderstrasse, near the junction of Stralsunderstrasse and Alte Hohe Strasse, stand three 20 m. high masts, with aerials stretched between them.

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- b. In the city center, on the Rathaus Turm, two parabolic reflectors about 0.8 m. diameter were seen, facing SSE and NW.

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- c. Since the beginning of February two parabolic reflectors, 0.8 m. and 2 m. diameter approximately, have been mounted near the radio station aerials in Karl-Marx-(Augustus) Platz, Leipzig. The reflectors face NW.

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3. Dresden Sites

- a. Two 20 m. high steel masts, painted red and white, are situated in the grounds of Edwin-Hoernle-Strasse No. 60, Dresden-Hellerau, at a point about 500 m. northeast of the Autobahn bridge crossing Hellerau-Taehnitz. One of the masts carries two parabolic reflectors, facing SW and SE.

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- b. A 12 m. high mast stands in the grounds of Koenigsbrueckerstrasse No. 89/90. Living quarters for Russians are situated there, and the grounds are surrounded by a high fence.

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- c. Three 15 m. high and one 50 m. high masts were seen [] on an enclosed site about 2 Km. east of Birkenhain, between Wilsdruf and Birkenhain, 25X1 on the south side of the Autobahn. The 50 m. high mast appears to be of a cylindrical hollow metal construction, about 0.6 m. in diameter. The foot of the 50 m. mast tapers to a pointed cone. The area is lighted at night by arc lamps: three red position lights are fixed to the 50 m. mast at different heights. Two small wooden watch towers are to be seen in the area.

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4. Frauenstein

A mast about 40 m. high, with two parabolic reflectors was seen at Frauenstein on 13 February. The direction of the paraboloids could not be ascertained because of the poor light conditions.

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5. The following reported sites of electronic installations have also been searched, but with negative results.

a. Erfurt

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Reported location: six kilometers NE of Erfurt, on a hill in a wood. [] the area was searched by eye from the road from Erfurt to Schwerborn and from the main road from Erfurt to Weimar. The area NE of Erfurt is substantially flat and free from large woods.¹ 25X1

b. Weimar

Reported installation: 2 masts east of Weimar, south of the road to Umpferstedt. The area was searched by eye from the road Weimar to Umpferstedt and from the road from Umpferstedt leading south to the Autobahn. The area is almost flat and is not wooded. []²

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c. Leipzig

Reported installation: one 30 m. mast in rear of garden about 150 E. of Raschwitzstrasse on the north side of Alt-Oetzsch. [] 25X1

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[] Comments:

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1. A large crane was to be seen on a wooded hill 6 km. north of Erfurt. This might possibly be mistaken for an electronic installation at a distance.
2. Heaps of earth were seen in the area; telephone wires east of Umpferstedt on the Ottern road had been recently removed, and only the stumps of the wooden poles remained in the ground. An installation may have been recently removed from the area.

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